ARMED FORCES DAY 2008



ARMED FORCES DAY LUNCHEON SATURDAY, MAY 17, 2008 **Colonel David Joseph Conboy** was sent to Iraq not once, but twice. His first trip to Iraq was from February to June 2004 assisting the Army Corps of Engineers in Basra in rebuilding the area's infrastructure. He returned to Iraq in September 2004, serving in his role as a lieutenant colonel when the Army Reserve's 98th

Division was mobilized. His assigned duty was advisor to the Deputy Chief of Staff of the Iraqi Joint Forces. In August 2005, Colonel Conboy was awarded the Bronze Star for meritorious achievement for service in a combat zone.

Colonel Conboy is currently the Assistant Division Commander, 98th Division (IET) headquartered here in Rochester.

In addition to serving our country, David also gives of his energy and time in our community. He has been a member of the Grand Island Neighbors Foundation for about 15 years. In December he was among those who helped sort donations of

food to the foundation's "Share Your Happiness" campaign. Also, David has been a member of the Knights of Columbus for the past 12 years. And he and his wife, Karen, are busy with raising their 13-year old son, David James Conboy. When asked about her husband's career and his volunteer activities, Karen commented that he "definitely has a good sense of priorities: God, country, family and neighbors."

Colonel Conboy's daughter, Sarah McMahon, now a first lieutenant, is serving in Iraq as a member of the U.S. Army.



R Thomas Flynn, Honorary Chairman 2008 Armed Forces Luncheon

"Through my 34 years at Monroe Community College, I have had the honor of knowing many students, alumni and employees who have served in the military. When MCC students are called to active duty, we do all we can to ease their transition from students to soldier. When they return to us, our Veterans Club and all of our support services stand ready to assist them. I admire and respect all those in the armed forces who dedicate their lives to protecting America's freedoms.

The safety of our nation, its people and our values is vital to the future of the United States. Thanks you to the members of the armed forces whose sacrifice enables Americans to enjoy the freedoms on which this country was founded. Your commitment and effort is deeply respected and appreciated."

R. Thomas Flynn is Monroe Community College's fourth president and longest serving college officer. President Flynn serves on numerous state and national committees and boards, including as chair of the Board of Directors. He is active locally, having served on numerous boards and committees, including the Center for Governmental Research, High Technology of Rochester, Finger Lakes Partnership's Governing Board WIRED (Workforce Innovation in Regional Economic Development),

Finger Lakes Health Systems Agency Community Health System 2020 Commission and the Stewardship Council for "Rochester 2010 – The Renaissance."

Armed Forces Day Luncheon Program

Musical Prelude

98th Division USAR Band, "Rappl's Own", Chief Warrant Officer 2 Eric O'Lear, Bandmaster

Sounding of Assembly

Posting of the Colors Multi Service Color Guard

Singing of the National Anthem SPC Gina Herbst, 98th Division USAR Band

Invocation

Chaplain (Major) Robert F. Searle, 98th Division (IET)

POW/MIA Remembrance

Bruce Dunn, Co-Chairman - Armed Forces Luncheon Committee Dr. Betty Perkins-Carpenter, Korean War Veterans

Taps

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God Bless America SPC Gina Herbst, 98th Division USAR Band

Welcome

Major General Norbert J. Rappl, USA - Retired

Greetings

Honorable Maggie Brooks, County Executive, Monroe County Honorable Robert Duffy, Mayor, City of Rochester Honorary Chairman — R. Thomas Flynn, President, Monroe Community College

Cake Cutting Ceremony

Colonel David Conboy, Assistant Commander, 98th Division (IET)

Guest Speaker

Colonel David Conboy, Assistant Commander, 98th Division (IET)

Closing Remarks

Major General Norbert J. Rappl, USA - Retired

Retiring of the Colors Multi Service Color Guard

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Chaplain (Major) Robert F. Searle, 98th Division (IET)

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R. Thomas Flynn, President





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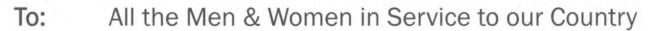
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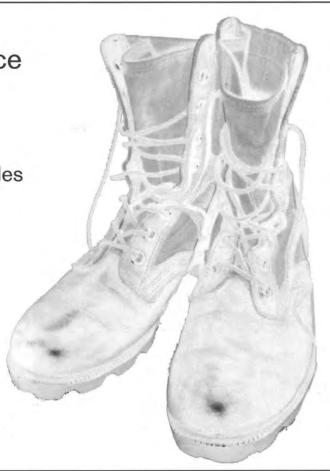
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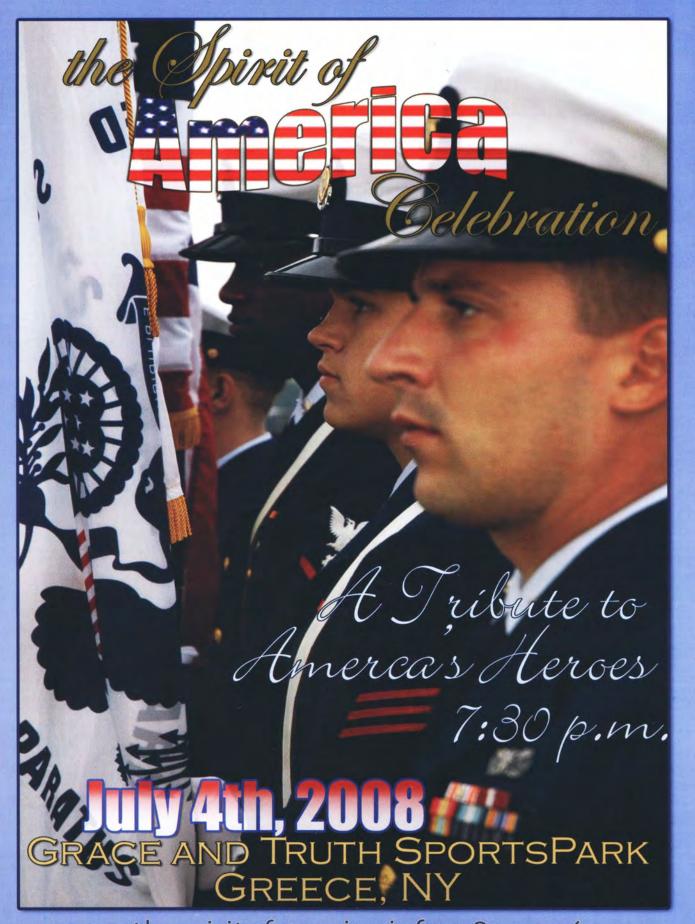
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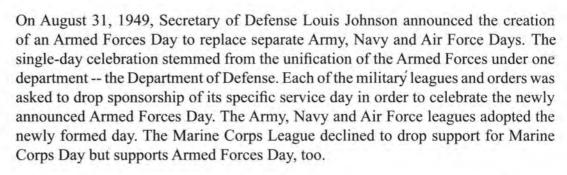
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Armed Forces Day History







In a speech announcing the formation of the day, President Truman "praised the work of the military services at home and across the seas" and said, "it is vital to the security of the nation and to the establishment of a desirable peace." In an excerpt from the Presidential Proclamation of Feb. 27, 1950, Mr. Truman stated: "Armed Forces Day, Saturday, May 20, 1950, marks the first combined demonstration by America's defense team of its progress, under the National Security Act, towards the goal of readiness for any eventuality. It is the first parade of preparedness by the unified forces of our land, sea, and air defense".



The theme of the first Armed Forces Day was "Teamed for Defense." It was chosen as a means of expressing the unification of all the military forces under a single department of the government. Although this was the theme for the day, there were several other purposes for holding Armed Forces Day. It was a type of "educational program for civilians," one in which there would be an increased awareness of the Armed Forces. It was designed to expand public understanding of what type of job is performed and the role of the military in civilian life. It was a day for the military to show "state-of-the-art" equipment to the civilian population they were protecting. And it was a day to honor and acknowledge the people of the Armed Forces of the United States.



According to a *New York Times* article published on May 17, 1952: "This is the day on which we have the welcome opportunity to pay special tribute to the men and women of the Armed Forces ... to all the individuals who are in the service of their country all over the world. Armed Forces Day won't be a matter of parades and receptions for a good many of them. They will all be in line of duty and some of them may give their lives in that duty."



The first Armed Forces Day was celebrated by parades, open houses, receptions, and air shows. In Washington D.C., 10,000 troops of all branches of the military, cadets, and veterans marched pass the President and his party. In Berlin, 1,000 U.S. troops paraded for the German citizens at Temple of Airfield. In New York City, an estimated 33,000 participants initiated Armed Forces Day "under an air cover of 250 military planes of all types." In the harbors across the country were the famed mothballed "battlewagons" of World War II, the Missouri, the New Jersey, the North Carolina, and the Iowa, all open for public inspection. Precision flying teams dominated the skies as tracking radar were exhibited on the ground. All across the country, the American people joined together to honor the Armed Forces.